

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE	FY 2005 APPROPRIATION	FY 2006 REQUEST	GOVERNOR RECOMMENDS FY 2006
Office of the Director	\$ 6,454,468	\$ 8,165,431	\$ 8,165,431	\$ 5,615,687
Information Technology Consolidation	0	0	0	6,352,680
Agency-Wide Operations	19,338,881	30,949,647	30,843,793	31,077,757
Outreach and Assistance Center	21,111,213	15,497,170	17,857,170	15,948,751
Environmental Improvement & Energy Res. Authority	0	1	1	1
Division of State Parks	31,474,373	36,875,290	36,875,290	36,337,781
Geology Survey and Resource Assessment Division	5,145,657	6,231,548	6,346,148	5,944,812
Environmental Programs	112,884,211	231,215,002	230,975,981	227,296,360
<b>DEPARTMENTAL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 196,408,803</b>	<b>\$ 328,934,089</b>	<b>\$ 331,063,814</b>	<b>\$ 328,573,829</b>
General Revenue Fund	8,595,916	8,521,062	10,913,496	8,714,391
Federal Funds	31,827,742	45,192,505	44,440,274	44,588,267
Water Pollution Control Fund	0	23,469,825	23,469,825	23,469,825
Stormwater Control Fund	2,762,484	18,985,859	18,985,859	18,985,859
Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund	17,697,656	28,726,461	28,219,371	27,314,755
Water and Wastewater Loan Revolving Fund	20,500,000	24,000,000	24,000,000	24,000,000
Parks Sales Tax Fund	24,052,408	27,154,260	27,177,229	27,372,399
Soil and Water Sales Tax Fund	24,446,610	38,736,270	38,912,366	38,932,558
Water and Wastewater Loan Fund	16,209,973	50,000,003	50,027,002	50,027,002
Other Funds	50,316,014	64,147,844	64,918,392	65,168,773
<b>Full-time equivalent employees</b>	<b>1,895.11</b>	<b>1,987.12</b>	<b>1,996.70</b>	<b>1,955.72</b>

## POLICY SUMMARY

Governor Blunt's Fiscal Year 2006 budget provides a total of \$328.6 million for the Department of Natural Resources. The department strives to preserve, protect, and enhance Missouri's natural, cultural, and energy resources. The core functions provided by the Department of Natural Resources include:

- Managing Missouri's state parks and cultural and historical resources, a system which generates \$500 million annually for the state's economy.
- Protecting Missouri's water resources by enforcing state and federal environmental laws.
- Overseeing environmental programs that improve air quality and safely manage hazardous and solid waste.
- Helping landowners conserve precious topsoil.
- Investigating the state's geology to determine the character and availability of the state's natural resources.
- Providing centralized assistance on environmental regulation and energy efficiency measures to builders, local governments, and farmers.

### Accountable and Responsible Government

The Department of Natural Resources will be directed not only to protect and enhance Missouri's natural, cultural, and energy resources, but also to carry out its responsibilities in a way that demonstrates openness to differing points of view. Permits of varying kinds are an essential part of doing business in the State of Missouri. Governor Blunt will work to provide environmental protection while still allowing economic development. Economic development opportunities should not be allowed to escape Missouri communities because of a lengthy permit process. Decisions should be made quickly, decisively, and with prompt notification to the applying party. Governor Blunt will work to repair the perceived rift between the Department of Natural Resources and the public. The department must be flexible within the context of the law -- solving problems that exist in the state's environment without incurring unnecessary delays and excessive costs that impede economic growth.

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### POLICY SUMMARY (Continued)

Some performance measures the Department of Natural Resources uses to evaluate the quality of Missouri's water and land follow:

	2002	2003	2004
Percent of Missouri streams safe for specific uses (from percent of stream miles inventoried biannually)	48%	N/A	50%
Percent of Missouri lakes safe for specific uses (from percent of lake acres inventoried biannually)	69%	N/A	71%
Percent of Missourians living where drinking water meets federal standards	95%	95%	95%
Tons of solid waste diverted from Missouri landfills	4.7 million	5.0 million	N/A
Tons of solid waste disposed of by Missourians	6.2 million	6.3 million	N/A
Tons of solid waste saved (cumulative)	76.5 million	81.0 million	84.3 million
Percent of land disturbed by mining activities that has been reclaimed	46%	47%	45%
Percent of hazardous waste recycled/reused/reclaimed	19%	12%	N/A
Percent of hazardous waste recovered for energy	12%	17%	N/A
Percent of hazardous waste otherwise disposed	69%	71%	N/A

Some performance measures the Department of Natural Resources uses to evaluate the quality of Missouri's air and the use of renewable energy sources follow:

	2002	2003	2004
Days that are unhealthy for sensitive groups in the St. Louis area	4.2	3.4	4.0
Days that are unhealthy for sensitive groups in the Kansas City area	11.5	3.8	8.0
Renewable energy consumed in Missouri	5.28 trillion BTUs	7.55 trillion BTUs	8.00 trillion BTUs

Some performance measures the Department of Natural Resources uses to evaluate the effectiveness of recreational opportunities and natural and historic preservation programs follow:

	2002	2003	2004
Number of visitors to state parks	17.8 million	17.1 million	16.2 million
Camping permits for Missouri's state parks	286,899	277,501	265,820
Percent of Missouri natural landscapes preserved in state parks	79%	84%	N/A
Percent of Missouri endangered or threatened species in state parks	21%	22%	N/A
Nationally registered Missouri historic resources (cumulative)	19,373	20,327	21,664

### Preserving our Natural Treasures

Missouri is blessed with an abundance of natural treasures. Surveys have revealed that the quality of life Missourians enjoy is directly related to the natural resources of our state. The Department of Economic Development's Division of Tourism slogan, "Where the Rivers Run," speaks to the importance of water quality and quantity in our lakes, rivers, and streams. Tourism ranks high in economic importance, generating millions of dollars annually for our state's economy. For these reasons, it is imperative that high priority be given to protecting our valuable natural resources. Governor Blunt will ask each Missourian to accept responsibility and to be good stewards of our natural resources.

## **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

### **OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR AND DIVISION OF ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT**

The Office of the Director provides departmental focus on policies and outcomes, seeks to improve efficiency, drives customer-focused initiatives, ensures public participation in decision-making, and attains results positively affecting the quality of water, air, land, energy, and recreational and cultural resources. The Office of the Director manages the department's five divisions, as well as the Outreach and Assistance Center, ensuring that the department meets all its responsibilities, statutory and otherwise. The office develops, implements, and coordinates the department's employee relations activities, strategic planning, policy research and practices, legislative initiatives, as well as the department's collaborations with other state, local, and federal agencies. The office represents Missouri before several regional and national organizations and agencies, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, regional river basin associations, and the Midwest Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Compact.

The Division of Administrative Support develops the department's budget; performs accounting, internal auditing, and procurement functions; administers the department's personnel policies; and supports the department's statewide communications and computer infrastructure.

#### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

- \$25,012 for pay plan, including \$5,752 general revenue.
- (\$2,569,914) and (30.13) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration, including (\$264,596) general revenue.
- (\$4,842) reallocated for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).
- (One) staff core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

Governor Blunt has ordered that management of state information technology resources be consolidated under the Office of Administration. This should result in enhanced service at a lower cost. For Fiscal Year 2006, information technology resources will be reallocated to a new section within the department's budget that will be under the control of the Office of Administration.

#### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

- \$2,133 Solid Waste Management Fund in lieu of general revenue funding for solid waste management activities within the regional offices of the Division of Water Protection and Soil Conservation.
- \$1,000 Solid Waste Management Fund in lieu of current general revenue funding for solid waste management activities within the Division of Geological Survey and Resource Assessment.
- \$33,952 for pay plan, including \$5,298 general revenue.
- \$6,315,595 and 81.77 staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration, including \$601,270 general revenue.

### **AGENCY-WIDE OPERATIONS**

A number of issues are multi-faceted and require resources and expertise from several divisions within the Department of Natural Resources. To deal effectively with these issues, the department consolidated these operations agency wide. These include audits to comply with federal single audit regulations, assistance with environmental impacts of highway projects, and activities of the Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund Board. Also included within the department's agency-wide functions are activities related to homeland security. The department continues to utilize federal funds to prepare public water systems to respond to possible terrorist attacks and ensure their ability to continue to provide safe water for their customers. The department's efforts also include the installation and operation of an ambient air monitor network.

#### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

- \$303,000 Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund for contract inspection services.
- \$281,012 federal and other funds for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).
- \$3,250 for pay plan, including \$324 general revenue.
- \$32,434 reallocated for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).
- (\$419,300) Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.
- (\$72,286) federal and other funds reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.

## **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

### **OUTREACH AND ASSISTANCE CENTER**

The Outreach and Assistance Center performs a variety of vital functions relating to environmental quality, efficient and renewable energy production and use, historic preservation, and public outreach. It is comprised of the following:

- The Missouri Energy Center, the state's designated office for helping Missourians produce and use energy wisely, efficiently, and renewably, fosters and protects the state's environment, resources, and economic prosperity.
- The State Historic Preservation Office helps identify and preserve historic properties and cultural resources throughout the state, administers grants and loans, and assists taxpayers in qualifying for preservation tax credits.
- The non-regulatory Environmental Assistance Office provides technical, managerial, and financial planning assistance to business owners, local governments, and the general public to prevent and control pollution.
- The Community Assistance Office links the public to the department's financial and technical services and aids community planning.
- The Communications and Education Office provides the public with environmental, natural, and historic resource information, via the Internet as well as other media. The office publishes the "Missouri Resources" magazine; coordinates special events; and creates and distributes department publications, graphics, displays, and presentation materials.

### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

- \$600,000 transferred to the Historic Preservation Revolving Fund pursuant to Section 143.183, RSMo.
- \$41,761 for pay plan, including \$14,492 general revenue.
- (\$190,105) and (3.06) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration, including (\$59,755) general revenue.
- (\$75) reallocated for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT AND ENERGY RESOURCES AUTHORITY**

The Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority, under Chapter 260, RSMo, is an independent, self-supporting, quasi-governmental agency assigned to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

Due to the special independent status as "a body corporate and politic," the authority is able to issue tax-exempt bonds and utilize fees charged for issuance of its bonds and notes. The authority is empowered to conduct environmental and energy research and development activities; develop alternative methods of financing environmental and energy projects; and assist Missouri communities, organizations, and businesses in obtaining low-cost funds and other financial assistance for projects related to the authority purpose.

### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

Continue funding at the current level.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF STATE PARKS**

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE	FY 2005 APPROPRIATION	GOVERNOR RECOMMENDS FY 2006
<b>PERSONAL SERVICE</b>			
Federal Funds	\$ 112,960	\$ 97,935	\$ 98,914
State Park Earnings Fund	843,485	916,749	768,515
DNR Cost Allocation Fund	1,116,319	1,152,626	1,045,731
State Facility Maintenance and Operation Fund	216,743	245,966	248,425
Parks Sales Tax Fund	17,549,505	19,582,834	19,675,679
Meramec-Onondaga State Parks Fund	10,671	11,493	11,805
Babler State Park Fund	51,799	53,388	53,921
<b>EXPENSE AND EQUIPMENT</b>			
Federal Funds	94,614	206,428	206,306
State Park Earnings Fund	3,197,757	4,331,786	4,130,188
DNR Cost Allocation Fund	109,536	146,229	138,373
State Facility Maintenance and Operation Fund	107,507	111,327	111,327
Parks Sales Tax Fund	6,347,353	7,417,026	7,247,111
Meramec-Onondaga State Parks Fund	0	5,600	5,583
Babler State Park Fund	73,513	106,579	106,579
<b>PROGRAM SPECIFIC DISTRIBUTION</b>			
Federal Funds	1,541,461	2,324,034	2,324,034
State Park Earnings Fund	0	65,290	65,290
Parks Sales Tax Fund	101,150	100,000	100,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 31,474,373</b>	<b>\$ 36,875,290</b>	<b>\$ 36,337,781</b>
Federal Funds	1,749,035	2,628,397	2,629,254
State Park Earnings Fund	4,041,242	5,313,825	4,963,993
DNR Cost Allocation Fund	1,225,855	1,298,855	1,184,104
State Facility Maintenance and Operation Fund	324,250	357,293	359,752
Parks Sales Tax Fund	23,998,008	27,099,860	27,022,790
Meramec-Onondaga State Parks Fund	10,671	17,093	17,388
Babler State Park Fund	125,312	159,967	160,500
Full-time equivalent employees	744.76	757.70	748.38

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### **DIVISION OF STATE PARKS (Continued)**

The Division of State Parks manages the many recreational, cultural, and historical resources of the Missouri state parks system. The division also administers programs to promote outdoor recreation statewide.

Missouri's state parks system consists of 83 state parks and historic sites covering approximately 140,000 acres and includes 3,621 campsites, 139 rental cabin units, 5 motels, 292 group camp buildings, and other office buildings. The system is divided into five field district offices, with each of the district headquarters reporting to the Central Office in Jefferson City. Administrative, maintenance, and service personnel manage the lands and improvements, provide recreational and educational programs for visitors, and provide necessary law enforcement. Funding provided by the one-tenth of one percent Parks and Soils Sales Tax has been used for projects such as campground remodeling; the addition of shower houses and restrooms; paving of roads within campgrounds; restoration of landscapes; and additional personnel for maintenance, education, and site interpretation. The Parks and Soils Sales Tax provides continued restoration and improvement of the state parks system and allows division staff to better serve the over 16 million people who visit parks and historic sites each year.

Central Office administration directs and coordinates the management of the state parks system. Responsibilities include personnel management, budget and policy development, and the evaluation of management procedures and performance. Central Office staff provide logistical support to the individual state parks; supervise the grounds maintenance of the State Capitol Complex; and operate the central sign shop, central warehouse, and aerial device unit. Staff also identify unique natural areas which may require protection; conduct special studies related to parks operations and development; and prepare site, architectural, and engineering plans and maps.

The division assists the State Inter-Agency Council for Outdoor Recreation in the administration of grants that finance outdoor recreation projects. The division also provided assistance to the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission in the administration of grants to local communities participating in the commemoration of the "Corps of Discovery."

#### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

- \$216,858 federal and other funds for pay plan.
- (\$754,367) federal and other funds and (9.32) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

### GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND RESOURCE ASSESSMENT DIVISION

Headquartered in Rolla, Missouri, the Geological Survey and Resource Assessment Division investigates the state's geology; provides its knowledge and expertise for economic and environmental decision-making; and determines the character and availability of the state's water, energy, and mineral resources. The division also restores and maintains the state's original land survey monuments; houses the state's land survey records repository; and enforces the state's dam, reservoir, and well-drilling safety laws.

Geological Survey Program – The Geological Survey Program provides a wide variety of geological services for citizens, industry, academia, and government, including geologic mapping, mineral resource assessments, and geologic and earthquake hazard evaluations. The program works closely with other regulatory bodies to evaluate geologic conditions where such information is essential for proper environmental and economic planning. The program also regulates well drilling, ensuring the correct placement and construction of new wells as well as the safe closure of old wells.

Water Resources Program – Program hydrologists and geologists investigate and monitor surface water and groundwater resource characteristics, availability, and use to meet Missouri's comprehensive water needs. Staff operate a statewide groundwater aquifer-monitoring network with real-time water quantity data. Staff also collect and analyze surface-water flow data to safeguard against flood and drought. With the completion of Phase I and II of the State Water Plan, the program begins the statewide assessment of individual watersheds serving Missouri's communities and the state as a whole. The program also regulates approximately 640 dams, safeguarding the lives and property of Missourians living below them. Under the Dam and Reservoir Safety Council, engineers review permit applications for new and existing dams and conduct field visits to ensure that dams are properly constructed and maintained. The program also defends the state's vital water resource interests, including those related to river transport, before numerous interstate and interagency river basin associations.

Land Survey Program – Since the inception of the Land Survey Program in 1969, Missouri has experienced a reversal in the trend of lost and destroyed land corners of the United States Public Land Survey System (USPLSS). The program works with private surveyors, county surveyors, staff, and county commissions to maintain the state's USPLSS that serves as the framework for the determination of all property boundaries in the state. The program manages and maintains a statewide repository of land records. Approximately 1.8 million land survey documents and geodetic data are available for the entire state. The public can order the information through the repository on hard copy or in digital format. The information is also available for viewing from the original land survey field books and plats made by the general land office when the state was first surveyed. All these land survey records are stored in a vault in Rolla. The program maintains a statewide geographic reference system, consisting of 13,000 survey monuments.

Administration – The division's management section oversees and directs budgetary, financial, and personnel matters. The unit also administers building maintenance, computer support, database management, and the sale and distribution of requested information. The division director serves as Missouri's State Geologist on several boards and commissions.

### Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$114,626 Solid Waste Management Fund and three staff in lieu of general revenue funding for solid waste management activities within the Division of Geological Survey and Resource Assessment.
- \$43,671 for pay plan, including \$18,575 general revenue.
- (\$279,025) and (5.07) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration, including (\$89,707) general revenue.
- (\$158,324) and (four) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level, including (\$114,600) general revenue.
- (\$7,684) reallocated for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS**

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE	FY 2005 APPROPRIATION	GOVERNOR RECOMMENDS FY 2006
Water Protection and Soil Conservation	\$ 18,924,769	\$ 24,083,113	\$ 22,339,703
Air and Land Protection	19,542,250	23,834,083	21,938,690
Inspection/Maintenance	751,720	1,464,847	1,333,970
Environmental Finance Support	73,665,472	181,832,959	181,683,997
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 112,884,211</b>	<b>\$ 231,215,002</b>	<b>\$ 227,296,360</b>
<b>PERSONAL SERVICE</b>			
General Revenue Fund	3,033,856	2,820,276	2,365,988
Federal Funds	9,893,241	11,179,016	10,611,764
Solid Waste Management Fund	1,788,105	1,953,712	2,222,077
NRPF - Air Pollution Permit Fee Subaccount	3,954,486	4,199,375	4,200,319
Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund	990,605	1,102,494	0
Soil and Water Sales Tax Fund	1,694,586	2,065,232	1,965,718
Missouri Air Pollution Control Fund	18,171	43,712	41,760
Hazardous Waste Remedial Fund	688,632	771,220	660,014
Other Funds	8,732,531	10,028,228	10,049,439
<b>EXPENSE AND EQUIPMENT</b>			
General Revenue Fund	454,446	417,094	327,825
Federal Funds	4,597,957	9,532,729	9,028,730
Solid Waste Management Fund	239,102	327,089	366,565
NRPF - Air Pollution Permit Fee Subaccount	836,680	1,425,994	1,395,527
Soil and Water Sales Tax Fund	1,033,398	1,094,846	1,051,365
Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund	206,217	207,974	0
Water and Wastewater Loan Fund	0	3	2
Hazardous Waste Remedial Fund	193,823	297,676	232,762
Missouri Air Pollution Control Fund	843	6,496	6,458
Other Funds	3,178,064	8,473,275	8,290,403
<b>PROGRAM SPECIFIC DISTRIBUTION</b>			
General Revenue Fund	32,894	6,509	6,509
Federal Funds	5,517,646	12,144,192	11,524,228
Solid Waste Management Fund	2,703,173	6,299,986	6,299,986
NRPF - Air Pollution Permit Fee Subaccount	1,509,748	2,027,000	2,027,000
Water and Wastewater Loan Revolving Fund	20,500,000	24,000,000	24,000,000
Soil and Water Sales Tax Fund	21,718,626	35,518,192	35,749,232
Water and Wastewater Loan Fund	16,195,973	50,000,000	50,000,000
Hazardous Waste Remedial Fund	0	15,638	15,638
Other Funds	3,171,408	45,257,044	44,857,051
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 112,884,211</b>	<b>\$ 231,215,002</b>	<b>\$ 227,296,360</b>
General Revenue Fund	3,521,196	3,243,879	2,700,322
Federal Funds	20,008,844	32,855,937	31,164,722
Solid Waste Management Fund	4,730,380	8,580,787	8,888,628
Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund	1,196,822	1,310,468	0
NRPF - Air Pollution Permit Fee Subaccount	6,300,914	7,652,369	7,622,846
Water and Wastewater Loan Revolving Fund	20,500,000	24,000,000	24,000,000
Soil and Water Sales Tax Fund	24,446,610	38,678,270	38,766,315
Water and Wastewater Loan Fund	16,195,973	50,000,003	50,000,002
Hazardous Waste Remedial Fund	882,455	1,084,534	908,414
Missouri Air Pollution Control Fund	19,014	50,208	48,218
Other Funds	15,082,003	63,758,547	63,196,893
<b>Full-time equivalent employees</b>	<b>851.27</b>	<b>895.39</b>	<b>831.80</b>



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### WATER PROTECTION AND SOIL CONSERVATION DIVISION

Structurally, the Water Protection and Soil Conservation Division encompasses two programs, five regional offices, seven satellite offices, and a supporting administrative unit. Functionally, the division implements and enforces state and federal environmental statutes and regulations protecting Missouri's water and soil resources.

Water Protection Program – The division's Water Protection Program includes three branches--the Water Pollution Branch, the Drinking Water Branch, and the Financial Assistance Center. The Water Pollution Branch protects the quality of Missouri's groundwater, streams, and lakes, safeguarding these vital resources. This enhances agricultural production, forestry, fisheries, water-intensive manufacturing, water recreation, tourism, hunting, fishing, and human and animal consumption. The Public Drinking Water Branch ensures that all public drinking water systems provide clean and healthy drinking water for Missouri's citizens by ensuring that public water system construction and operation comply with the requirements of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. The Financial Assistance Center administers the federal Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs that provide low-interest loans and grants to Missouri communities for the construction of new, and the improvement of existing drinking water supply, wastewater treatment, and storm-water management systems.

Soil and Water Conservation Program – The Soil and Water Conservation Program implements the policies of the Soil and Water Districts Commission to ensure the long-term productivity of Missouri's most basic resource, the soil. Departmental staff aid Missouri's local soil and water conservation districts and administer several soil conservation programs funded by one-half of the one-tenth of one percent dedicated sales tax renewed by Missouri voters in November 1996. Soil and Water Sales Tax funded programs include: cost-sharing grants for up to 75 percent of farmers' costs to implement approved soil conservation practices; loan interest payment assistance for landowners on loans expended for approved conservation practices and equipment; grants to local districts for administrative expenses and technical assistance; special incentives for intensive conservation measures in critical areas; soil survey mapping efforts; and grants for research on soil conservation problems.

Regional Offices – Regional and satellite offices provide technical assistance and compliance oversight for regulated facilities, helping them ensure the environmental health of their communities and its members. Operating regionally, these front-line, field staff address local, environmental inquiries and concerns. In addition to the five regional offices located in Kansas City, Macon, Poplar Bluff, Springfield, and St. Louis, smaller satellite offices supplement regional efforts by meeting special, local needs in Franklin, Jefferson, Lewis, Lincoln, Camden, Newton, Stone, and Taney counties. This regional orientation also permits other program staff to operate closer to the diverse urban and rural communities they serve, producing integrated but more locally responsive services.

Administration – Division administrative staff are responsible for providing overall policy, fiscal discretion, guidance, and support services to the direct programs and five regional offices; reviewing program reports; and representing the programs and commissions at departmental, state, and federal meetings. The administrative staff also maintains a divisional management system to identify and address environmental issues.

### Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$302,184 Solid Waste Management Fund and 6.63 staff in lieu of general revenue funding for solid waste management activities within the regional offices of the Division of Water Protection and Soil Conservation.
- \$149,202 for pay plan, including \$22,067 general revenue.
- \$13,214 other funds and .77 staff reallocated from the Division of Air and Land Protection.
- (\$1,101,342) and (19.29) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level, including (\$301,851) general revenue.
- (\$1,086,835) and (16.29) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration, including (\$183,162) general revenue.
- (\$19,833) reallocated for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).

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### AIR AND LAND PROTECTION DIVISION

The Air and Land Protection Division (ALPD) oversees air pollution control, hazardous waste management, solid waste management, mine reclamation, and the Environmental Services Program (ESP), which provides environmental laboratory and emergency response services.

Air Pollution Control Program – The Air Pollution Control Program (APCP) staff support the Air Conservation Commission, which develops policies to maintain and enhance the state's air quality for the protection of the public's health. Operating under the Clean Air Act's State Implementation Plans and Rules, the APCP reviews facility construction and operation permits to help ensure ambient air quality. Working with the department's regional office staff, the APCP identifies and works with facilities that are violating clean air quality requirements through a process called "conference, conciliation, and persuasion" to achieve compliance prior to pursuing any enforcement action. Collecting air quality and emission inventory data, the APCP provides benchmark data for Missouri air quality monitoring and planning. The APCP helps ensure that problematic St. Louis and Kansas City area ozone levels will improve and eventually meet federal, public health air standards. Staff also coordinate air pollution control activities with other programs in the division and local air pollution control agencies.

Hazardous Waste Program – State and federal law require oversight of hazardous waste practices from the point of generation through final disposal to ensure the safe and legal handling of such materials. Together with required registration of hazardous waste generators, the program's manifest and quarterly reporting systems enable the program to identify the amount and types of waste generated, stored, containerized, transported off-site, and treated or otherwise disposed. The Hazardous Waste Program (HWP) also addresses abandoned or uncontrolled hazardous waste sites through preliminary assessments, site investigations, feasibility studies, remedial investigations, interim remedial measures, immediate removals, and long-term or final remedial actions. The HWP registers and regulates petroleum underground storage tanks; provides general and technical information concerning the installation, use and closure of such systems; encourages compliance with underground storage tank law, regulations, and performance standards; and oversees corrective actions taken in response to leaks and other dangerously improper releases.

Solid Waste Management Program – The Solid Waste Management Program protects public health and the environment by requiring proper management of solid waste. The program encourages waste reduction, reuse, recycling, energy recovery, improved processing, and proper disposal. Implementing alternatives to the long-term storage of our waste will help to safeguard against landfill capacity shortages and will foster better use of our natural resources, including the otherwise productive land taken up to store our trash. Effectively regulating solid waste transportation, treatment, and storage through the implementation of solid waste management plans will help to minimize harmful land, water, and air pollution.

Land Reclamation Program – The Land Reclamation Program staff provide technical support for the Land Reclamation Commission. The commission regulates the mining of coal and other mineral commodities (such as barite, tar sands, clay, limestone, sand, and gravel) and provides for the reclamation of mined lands. Staff review mining and reclamation plans, issue permits that require security bonds to guarantee the reclamation of mined lands, and inspect sites to ensure reclamation performance. Program staff inventory and assess abandoned mined lands for health and pollution hazards to prioritize the reclamation of these abandoned areas. Funds now used to closeout the Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Program will be depleted during Fiscal Year 2006, at which time all abandoned coal mine land reclamation will cease.

Environmental Services Program – The ESP provides highly specialized technical services used to assess the effects of regulated activities and entities on the health of Missouri's citizens and their communities. The ESP works with both the ALPD and the Water Protection and Soil Conservation Division to detect; trace from origin to end; and mediate, if necessary, dangerous environmental contaminants and conditions. Services include general environmental analyses, Environmental Emergency Response efforts, water monitoring, field sampling, and air monitoring. The ESP staffs the state's only environmental laboratory and meets almost all of the department's analytical service needs. The ESP also oversees the cleanup of controlled substances (primarily methamphetamine) and their chemical precursors, managing the state's Clandestine Drug Lab Collection Station Program.

Administration – Division administrative staff coordinates program activities, analyzes personnel procedures, coordinates budget preparation, reviews and implements legislation, reviews program reports, and represents the programs and commissions at departmental, state, and federal meetings. The administrative staff also maintains a divisional management system to identify and address environmental issues.

### Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$58,508 Solid Waste Management Fund and .95 staff in lieu of general revenue funding for solid waste management activities within the Division of Air and Land Protection's Environmental Services Program.
- \$158,976 for pay plan, including \$1,360 general revenue.
- (\$1,225,247) and (16.92) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration, including (\$4,050) general revenue.
- (\$874,416) and (17.69) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level, including (\$58,088) general revenue.
- (\$13,214) other funds and (.77) staff reallocated to the Division of Water Protection and Soil Conservation.

## **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

### **INSPECTION/MAINTENANCE**

The Gateway Clean Air Program is part of Missouri's continuing efforts to improve the air quality in the St. Louis area. A major component of the program is the enhanced vehicle emissions test. The emissions test uses state-of-the-art technology and is designed to identify the total amount of emissions generated by today's computer-controlled vehicles under normal driving conditions. The outcome will be cleaner air to breathe.

#### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

- \$6,937 Missouri Air Emission Reduction Fund for pay plan.
- (\$137,814) Missouri Air Emission Reduction Fund and (.98) staff reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE SUPPORT PROGRAM**

The department administers a variety of funds for local governments and others to combat air pollution, clean up abandoned and uncontrolled hazardous waste sites, reclaim abandoned mine lands, monitor and test drinking water supplies, and construct or improve water and wastewater facilities.

#### **Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations**

- \$231,040 Soil and Water Sales Tax Fund for local soil and water conservation district staff fringe benefit cost increases.
- (\$380,000) federal funds core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.
- (\$2) federal and other funds reallocated for information technology resources that will be administered by the Office of Administration.